SENATE BILL 2127

By Bailey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5, Chapter 12, Part 2, relative to county budgets.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 5-12-210(b), is amended by deleting the language of the subsection and substituting instead:

(b) If the county legislative body fails to adopt a budget, property tax rate resolution, and appropriation resolution by August 31 of any year, then the portion of the consolidated budget for the county department of education agreed upon by the board of education, the county mayor, and the county budget committee on or before August 31 shall become effective by operation of law for the ensuing fiscal year. If no such agreement has been reached by that date, by operation of law the consolidated budget for the department of education shall be equal to the budget adopted for the preceding year less any one-time federal or state money.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 5-12-210, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection (c), and redesignating existing subsections accordingly:

(c) If the county legislative body fails to adopt a budget, property tax resolution, and appropriation resolution by August 31 of any year, then the operating budget for the ensuing fiscal year, other than the portion for the county department of education, shall be the consolidated budget with proposed amendments submitted by the county mayor or the budget committee.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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